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NEW GOODS

FOR THE HOLIDAYS,

AT A. GILMORE'S, JOHNSON STREET.

We have just received a splendid line of the following Goods:

Gloves, Silk Braces, Silk Handkerchiefs, Men's and Boys' Scarfs and Ties of all descriptions.

Cardigan Jackets, Men's Winter Caps, Umbrellas, Hosiery, Scarf Pins, and Cuff Buttons. Also, a fine assortment of Men's and Boys' Black Diagonal Suits.

☞ An inspection of these goods solicited.

CLOTHING MADE TO ORDER. Fit and workmanship guaranteed.

PIONEER TAILOR—ESTABLISHED 1858. No Chinese employed.

The White House

Hutcheson, Young & Co.

Have just received, via the Northern Pacific Railway, direct from the Manufacturers, a full line of seasonable

WINTER DRY GOODS,

CONSISTING IN PART OF

OTTOMAN AND MELTON ULSTER CLOTHS,

IN ALL THE NEW SHADES;

Silk Plushes, Silk Velvets, Sicilliennе Damas, and all the Latest Novelties in Mantle Silks;

English Electric Macintosh Cloaks in great variety.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Silk Umbrellas in great variety.

Ladies' Merino, Cashmere and Lambswool Underwear, a full assortment.

HOSIERY, Finest Cashmere, all sizes; Boys' Jersey Suits, Navy and Heather; Newest Styles in Fancy Mixed Gold Braids, Buttons and Trimmings, Kid, Kid-lined and Cashmere Gloves, Blankets, Flannels and Hallway Rugs, extra good value.

MILLINERY *A small but very choice selection of Hats and Bonnets, Ribbons, Feathers and Flowers.*

ALSO—A full line of General Sorting-up Goods for our Dry Goods and General Stock. PRICES, AS USUAL, RIGHT.

Wanted.

ADVERTISEMENTS under this head, three insertions, 50 cents; six insertions, 75 cents.

WANTED—A girl, about sixteen years of age, to do light house work in a small family. Address "R," TIMES OFFICE. dec22-6t

WANTED.—Two Pants Makers. Apply immediately to Levi the Tailor. dec21 6t

WANTED—Two furnished rooms and partial board with a private family. Address, stating terms, etc. "A. B." TIMES Office. dec19t

WANTED.—Two or three experienced Tailoresses. Good wages paid to first class hands. Apply to "S. T.," New Westminster. sem1 tf

Lost and Found.

LOST $20—Lost between James Bay and Fan dora street, on Monday evening, 21st inst., a $20 bill. Finder will receive $5 reward by leaving same at this office. dec22-3t

LOST—Between Mr. Lovell's residence, corner View and Cook streets, and the Presbyterian Church, Pandora street, a black jet breast pin with gold plate and two pearls. The finder will be rewarded by leaving the same at THE TIMES OFFICE. dec22

For Sale.

FOR SALE $60—A well paying business in the city realizing 20 per cent. per month on the capital invested. Address, X42 TIMES office. dec22-6t

RESTAURANT (half interest).

DINING ROOMS.

MARKET BUSINESS.

LIVERY BUSINESS.

GROCERY BUSINESS.

FURNITURE for sale and House to rent.

PARTNER WANTED in Mercantile Business.

LOTS OF OTHER CHANCES to invest in. B. C. British Columbia Employment and Business Agency, Fort street, bet. Broad & Douglas.

FOR SALE.—J. J. Russell's very handsome and nearly new Landau Carriage, with harness, complete. Price $600. Apply to William Grimm, Johnson street. dec2

FOR SALE.—Two lots, southeast corner Kane and Douglas streets, with buildings: 120 feet frontage on Douglas street, 120 feet frontage on Kane street. Also, 15 acres in Section 28, Esquimalt Harbor, comprising some very valuable water frontage on Constance Cove. Apply to John J. Russell, Victoria. dec1

FOR SALE.—A good second-hand double seated Buggy. For particulars, address "B.," this office. nov27 tm

To Let.

FOR RENT.—HOUSE OF FIVE ROOMS, conveniently located, to rent for $16 per month, water included. The Furniture of the same house for sale at $175.

Apply at Terminal Land Office, corner of Douglas and Yates streets. dec9 tf

TO LET—A large well furnished room with board, 10 minutes walk from the P. O. much cheaper if two occupied the room. Address TIMES Office. dec19-6t

TO LET—A new inventory house containing eight rooms including bath room on Pembroke street. Rent $20 per month. Apply to H. F. Heisterman & Co. dec19-6t

Meetings to be Held.

ST. ANDREWS and CALEDONIAN Society meets in their hall, corner Langley and Fort Streets on the FIRST FRIDAY of every month. All Scotchmen are invited to join.

ses 1-ly JAMES RUSSELL, Secretary.

THE Y. W. C. T. U. OF VICTORIA MEETS every third Monday in each month at Temperance Hall, on Pandora st., at 3.30 p. m. A good programme and sociable time at every meeting. Strangers cordially invited. nov-1

AN ENTERTAINMENT IS GIVEN AT TEMPERANCE Hall every Saturday evening. Good Temperance speakers and Musical Selections, with Recitations, forming a good programme. The Blue Ribbon Band will be in attendance. All are cordially invited. Chair taken at 8 o'clock precisely. HENRY RUDGE, President.

CHRISTMAS

AT THE

Queen's

MARKET.

TWENTY-EIGHTH

ANNUAL

EXHIBITION!

OF

MEATS

AND

POULTRY!

For Twenty-eight consecutive years the proprietors of the Queen's Market have surprised and pleased their customers and the general public with their

Grand Xmas Displays.

I am confident that my effort the present year will prove more effective than ever before, and cordially invite my customers and the public to visit the

OLD STAND

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY,

December 22nd and 23rd.

dec22 L. GOODACRE.

THEY STAND

Unapproached & Unapproachable!

All the City Comes Pouring in to Seize the Glorious Opportunity.

From North and South, from East and West,
Come throngs of buyers eager,
Because our prices are the best
To suit the means when meagre.

Here comes the toiling & tizzn
To save an honest penny;
The horny-handed farmer, too,
To seek the bargains many.

The rich and poor, they throng our doors,
Each one the chance embraces,
They buy their shoes, and from our store
Go home with happy faces.

With choicest stock and prices low,
Our banner's now unfurled;
We wage a war on prices high,
And for REPAIRING beat the world.

IRVING BROS.,

THE INIMITABLE

Inaugurators of Low Prices,

112 Government St., Victoria, B.C.

CITY COUNCIL.

The regular weekly meeting of the City Council was held last evening. Present: Mayor Rithet and Councillors Grant, Warner, Teague, Earle, Smith, Robertson, McKillican, Ward and Braden. The minutes of meetings held on the 14th and 16th were read and adopted.

A PROTEST.

Councillor Robertson, previous to the adoption of the minutes of the special meeting of the 19th, at which the drainage report was adopted, rose to a question of privilege. He read the following protest: In the name of the ratepayers we beg leave to enter our protest against the confirmation of the minutes endorsing the acceptance of Messrs. Pickering and Crompton's proposals for the drainage of the city, as the selection is not based on the principles of either economy or ability. W. A. ROBERTSON, J. BRADEN.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From P. Everett, in reference to a nuisance on his premises, committed by Chinamen. Referred to the Sanitary Committee.

From Henry Jorand, calling attention to the street at the south entrance to his house, which is in a filthy condition in consequence of the overflow of a sewer. Referred to the Street Committee.

From John H. Gannon, applying for the supply of horses required for the use of the Deluge Engine House, for hauling, &c. Referred to the Fire Wardens to report.

From Geo. W. Haynes, applying on behalf of the Columbia Electric Light Co., for the privilege of running wires along the streets of the city for the supply of lights for private purposes. Referred to the Street Lighting and Electric Light Committee.

From W. S. Wraight, asking permission to lay a drain from Marvin & Tilton's building to connect with Bastion street drain. Request granted, subject to the supervision of the Street Committee.

From R. Pallister and others, residents of Bay street, asking for a continuation of the sidewalk on said street. Referred to Street Committee to report.

From John H. Meldrum, asking that a gutter be made on the north side of Herald street, between Government and Store streets. Referred to Street Committee to report.

ACCOUNTS.

From D. M. Eberts in reference to his account against the corporation, $493 05, which had been taxed by Mr. J. C. Prevost.

Councillor Ward said this account was several years old, and was due to the executors of the late Mr. Robertson. It was presented to this Council about nine months ago. He thought the Finance Committee should certify to its correctness and recommend that it be paid. He moved, seconded by Councillor Grant, to that effect. Motion carried.

Accounts were read by the clerk, to date, aggregating $3880, which were referred to the Finance Committee and ordered to be paid if found correct.

TENDERS.

Tenders for engine and boiler were read as follows: Thomas Gowen, $2765, Albion Iron Works Co., $2700. On motion, the tender of the Albion Iron Works Co. was accepted.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The Fire Wardens submitted a supplementary report. It had been found impossible to obtain the requisite number of hosemen and hook and ladder men, and they recommended that the sums of $250 and $750—set apart for additional pay while actually employed at fires and for extra men—be apportioned as follows: By increasing the monthly pay of foreman to $16.25, and hosemen and hook and ladder men to $14 per month, which will not increase the gross estimate cost of the department.

The following complete list was recommended: Foremen—H. D. Saunders, A. Borde, J. Conlin. Hosemen and Hook & Ladder men—E. Hodge, A. Aaronson, W. Lennox, J. Jackson, F. Allatt, D. Fee, G. Gowen, N. Gowen, W. Cameron, H. Salmon, T. Watson, W. Bryce, C. Smith, A. Ross, J. Ford, R. Liddle, T. Hodges, H. McDowell.

Coun. Ward said the Fire Wardens had conferred with the Chief and Assistant Engineers, and it was found that there was a good deal of dissatisfaction on the part of the firemen. After several meetings it was agreed that the sum of $1000 be set apart for the extra men and overtime should be paid to the firemen in such a way as they should recommend, and the above figures were agreed to.

Coun. McKillican asked why Mr. Marks had been left out.

Coun. Ward said he had been appointed to a position which he did not apply for.

Coun. Braden said that the Council should give a supper to the members of the volunteer fire department. They had served the city faithfully for many years, and the Council should recognize their services. Every person in the city would agree to this.

Coun. Ward moved the adoption of the report.

Coun. McKillican objected. Mr. Marks was the only sober man of the three elected as foremen, and he should be retained. He moved that a ballot be again taken as between Conlin and Marks. carried.

On the ballot being taken it stood: Conlin, 6; Marks, 4.

Coun. Ward moved the adoption of the report and the confirmation of the appointment. Carried.

MOTIONS.

Moved by Coun. Ward, seconded by Coun. Grant,—that the Clerk advertise for all accounts against the Corporation to be sent in before the 31st December. Carried.

Councillor Grant moved, seconded by Councillor Warner, that notice be served on Chu Chung, to remove the remains of the old building recently damaged by fire, as it was a nuisance and dangerous. Carried.

CHARITY.

The Mayor said it was customary for the Corporation to make grants to the charitable institutions—Royal Hospital, St. Joseph's Hospital, Protestant Orphanage, Victoria jail, St Ann's Convent—in cash and supplies, amounting to $100. On motion the donations were ordered to be made as usual.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Councillor Ward gave notice of an amendment to the Fire Bylaw.

THE FIREMEN.

Councillor Braden moved that a committee be appointed to devise the best way to give a supper to the firemen.

Councillor McKillican wanted to know where the money was to come from?

Mayor Rithet suggested that a committee be appointed to draft an address and resolutions.

Councillor Earle said it was a subject that the citizens would take up with pleasure.

The matter dropped.

Councillor Ward asked what had become of the Sanitary Bylaw.

Councillor Braden said the committee did not have time to go through it.

Councillor Grant said it was advisable to define and straighten Fort street boundary, at the point where Jumbo was working. Mr. Dunsmuir owned the land alongside and would deal liberally with the Corporation, if spoken to.

Council adjourned.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

A DENIAL FROM MR. R. D. PITT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—A statement appeared in your issue of the 22d, to the effect that the Great Western Mutual Aid Association, of Denver, Col., and of which I am the general agent of the province, had not any right to transact business in this country, and their acts were illegal. Permit me to take exception and to deny that statement. Before taking charge of the association I satisfied myself that its reliability, standing and permanency was equal to any institution on the American continent, and so popular its system of mutual benefit aid, that it meets with bitter hostility from the agents of old line companies and particularly from "birds of passage" known as traveling agents, here to-day and away to-morrow, grabbing all they can, but having no permanent location. Now, sir, I am a resident of this province and in constant communication with the head office of the Great Western Association, who inform me that they are prepared to back me up financially or otherwise to punish slanderous attacks. To be more certain that I was acting right, I addressed a communication to the United States Consul asking what laws, if any, prevented me from transacting business. My application was referred by him to the Provincial Secretary and the answer in both cases satisfactory to the Great Western Association. I regret that such malicious attacks should continue to be made upon our association.

R. D. PITT.

QUALIFICATION OF COUNCILLORS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—The qualifications of a Councillor, although not necessarily numerous, are of great importance. In the first place he ought to be strictly impartial, of good average ability, and be capable of exercising his own judgment, fearlessly and faithfully. It is not necessary that he should be either very rich, or very poor. An ignorant man, with a little money, always presumes to know more than an intelligent man without money. Such a man is for ever aping his supposed betters, and amenable to their dictates. He seldom has a mind of his own outside the desire to please those over him; and of all men is the most dangerous as well as the most useless man for the administration of civic duties. The rich man has good claims on the grounds of his interests, to which all other interests are generally subordinated, and therefore one or two rich men, amongst a few brainless or stupid men, are capable of manipulating the whole concern? A dull, stupid fellow, without ability to explain his views, is a kind of inanimate barnacle in the institution. He sticks to his seat, and is always on time, to vote invariably wrong and that is all. A very bigoted man allows his prejudices to over-balance his reason, and can never be got to work in harmony with his fellow men. Consequently the others make a butt of him, and slight his ward all they can. Therefore, each ward should send the most intelligent and independent men it can procure, so that on every question of moral, social or physical law they will not only be able to debate intelligently on all questions coming before them, but consistently act in the best interests of a whole community. And if citizens will only reflect they will invariably find that selfish interests are generally opposed to men who are, and can be, most useful to the public cause.

A CITIZEN.

A COQUITLAM GOLD FIND.

The Port Moody correspondent of the *Oregonian* writes: Much excitement prevails over the discovery of gold on the Coquitlam river, three or four miles from here and only a couple of miles off the Canadian Pacific railroad. Two brothers named Hume, of New Westminster, it appears, have been working there all summer, and so secret were their operations that nothing was known of it until last week. They were discovered by parties from here, and even their own brother, the foreman of the *Guardian* office, was not told of the find. Their appliances were very deficient and not at all suitable for catching much of the mineral. If under these circumstances men who are favorably known and could command the best wages found it paid better to work for what they could pan out with their insufficient outfit, it is considered by practical men that there is enough dust to pay if proper sluices, etc, were erected. For the past few days large numbers from here and New Westminster have visited the scene and many are preparing to thoroughly prospect the stream and the smaller streams emptying into the head waters of Coquitlam lake, whence it is believed the gold comes. A party of gentlemen here have to-day started two or three of the best miners in the country to thoroughly investigate the matter, and the general belief is that the diggings will pan out well, as it has long been believed by many that there was gold there. The accessibility of the find is a great advantage, as it insures the cheapness of all kinds of supplies. Operations on the new discovery, together with the booming times bound to follow the commencement of operations of the Canadian Pacific, in the spring, the erection of wharves and railroad works, and of manufactories now in view, and the putting on of a line of steamers from here to China and Japan, promise the liveliest kind of times here next year, and consequently every one seems jubilant.

"Words fail to express my gratitude," says Mr. Selby Carter, of Nashville, Tenn., "for the benefits derived from Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Having been afflicted all my life with scrofula, my system became saturated with it. It came out in blotches, ulcers, and mattery sores, all over my body." Mr. Carter states that he was entirely cured by Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and since discontinuing its use, eight months ago, has had no return of the scrofulous symptoms.

A fine line Acme Club Skates, nickel plated, just arrived at GEO. H. MAYNARD'S.

OUR CHRISTMAS BOX

What the Merchants and Traders of the City are Arranging for the Holidays.

Where our Citizens can Buy Such Goods as They may Require—Bargains.

T. SHOTBOLT, chemist and druggist, a well-known house, has a complete stock in such fancy goods, perfumes, toilet articles as are to be found in a well regulated apothecary's shop. The stock is a choice one and excellent presentation selections can be made.

W. G. CAMERON, of the Mechanics' store, the most energetic and active of our business men, makes a very fine display in gents' furnishings, of which he carries an assortment second to none on the continent, and sells at prices that enables him to turn to advantage "the nimble sixpence instead of the slow shilling." Mr. Cameron's success is largely owing to his belief in a judicious use of printers' ink. He has good goods to sell and is not slow in telling the people so.

HENRY SAUNDERS, wholesale and retail grocer and spirit merchant, Johnson street, one of Victoria's oldest and most highly esteemed business men, in addition to his large store, which is so thoroughly packed with every necessary in the grocery, wine and spirit line, has a warehouse adjoining his store in which he carries a large stock for the wholesale trade. Mr. Saunders for years has had the contract for supplying the navy and much of the shipping that enters this port. He laid tribute on every country in which some particular article is produced for the wants of his numerous customers. Being familiar with shipping and the markets of the wide world, he is in a position to take advantage of every opportunity to purchase in a favorable market. Mr. Saunders' trade increases yearly. At this season of the year, especially is he prepared to cater to the wants of his wide circle of patrons. His premises are well worthy an inspection.

A. GILMORE, the pioneer merchant tailor and gents' furnishing house, is possibly the best known individual in British Columbia, for his upright, honest transactions. Starting in the business race with this city when it was in its infancy, he has kept pace with it. His stock is imported direct from the best known manufacturers, and will be found to embrace the choicest of fabrics in English, Scotch, Canadian and American goods, and all that is kept in the largest tailoring and gents' furnishing establishments anywhere. The stock may not be as extensive, but the selections are second to none. In hats, caps, neck ties, &c, nothing more can be desired than here is to be found.

FULLERTON & BAKER, of the People's Boot and Shoe store, anticipating a brisk trade, have laid in a large and complete stock of all goods in their line. They are kept busy from morning till night in attending on customers. It is reported that prices in this establishment are such as to induce intending purchasers to buy before leaving or trying elsewhere.

W. G. MORRIS, in hardware, tins, &c., has a neat, well selected and neatly kept stock.

B. WILLIAMS, in gents' ready mades and furnishings, hats, caps, valises, trunks, etc., has a stock at once complete in every detail and of such a quality that none need hesitate purchasing, for the prices asked are so reasonable that none should hesitate in purchasing. The business is an old established one and always has enjoyed the reputation of its goods being in every respect as represented. At this season when buyers are hunting for bargains, Williams' clothing store should not be overlooked.

DR. JACKSON, at the corner of Johnson and Broad streets, in his neat, attractive and well kept drug store, has many rare articles for presentation purposes in perfumery, toilet, bottles, fancy work boxes, brushes, combs, &c.

J. ISAACS, of the Indian Bazaar, makes an attractive display in jewelry, fancy goods and notions generally, all of which he is selling off cheap.

GUTMAN & FRANK, in guns and ammunition have a stock to suit any sporting gentleman or party about to start on a shooting or hunting expedition.

E. J. SALMON has such a variety of articles on hand that his establishment may well be called a perfect pantechnicon.

G. POWELL, in the new DeCosmos block, has opened out a stock of useful household articles, in which he is giving rare bar ains.

J. R. MCKENZIE, of the Glasgow Warehouse, opened out his stock yesterday. It is fresh, of the latest and most fashionable styles. Being all bought for cash, bargains are to be had in the Glasgow Warehouse in ladies' goods and gents' furnishings. Mr. McKenzie is well known in this city as an honest, honorable, upright person. In his new venture it is to be hoped that the largest measure of success will attend his efforts.

A. BOSSI, the old and popular family grocer, on Store street, makes a fine display of Christmas and holiday goods.

CHARLES TAYLOR, in stoves, tinware and furnishings, has a well assorted stock.

A. W. HUSON, grocer, has a stock specially suitable for his patrons bought right and being sold at a slight advance on cost.

LEVI, the Tailor, now a household name in this city, has been extremely busy for weeks past on holiday orders. Mr. Levi says advertising tells every time, and in a large degree is credited with the increasing business now being done by this gentleman.

HARRISON & MCALLISTER, family grocers, wine and spirit merchants, have a full stock of everything required in their line, fresh, and good value to patrons.

J. BROWN & CO., of the poultry market are well supplied with poultry and fruit.

A. SNOOK, cabinet maker and furniture dealer has on hand a choice stock of imported articles and much of his own make which he is offering at low rates.

S. BAKER & CO., corner of Douglas and Fingard streets, in family groceries, fruits, provisions, etc., always carry a full line. Their stock being fresh and the firm devoting their personal attention to business their trade is becoming a large one. At present their stock is large and as complete as it ever has been.

MUIRHEAD & CARTER, of the corner of Douglas and Johnson streets, make a very fine display. The stock is shown off to advantage and their store presents an attractive appearance.

S. CLAY, of the Blue Post, grocer, wine and spirit dealer, corner of Johnson and Douglas streets, is famed for the excellence of his groceries, teas, sugars, provisions, while his wines and liquors are true to name and imported direct for his trade.

CARNE & MUNSIE, in the Odd Fellow's Temple, Douglas street, have an attractive display of fruits, raisins, groceries, provisions, and such other articles as are a necessity to housekeeping.

GEO. L. SIMPSON in the same block, deals in furniture, carpets, glassware, crockery, etc., in which line he has a fine stock, worthy an inspection.

H. MAYNARD in boots, shoes, etc., has full lines in all styles and at prices to suit all customers.

MRS. R. MAYNARD, of the pioneer photograph gallery, exhibits an interesting assortment of photographs and scenes taken in various sections of the province, so true to life that it would be difficult to excel these.

H. A. LEILER, in his window makes by all odds the best display in fancy confectionaries in the city. In this line it is Santa Claus' headquarters. In fruits he has also a fine stock. The shop of this gentleman is one of the scenes of attraction to-day.

JAMES RUSSELL also makes a fine display in fancy baking, especially in Scotch short bread, pies, cakes, buns, currant loaves, etc., and roasted and boiled meats and many other appreciable good things in his line.

J. A. ROWBOTHAM, has fixed up a neat window in which is displayed tempting fruit for the holiday season.

G. H. MAYNARD, in boots and shoes, makes a good showing. In the finest lines he has a good stock. Much of that which is shown is of his own manufacture and guaranteed to be a genuine and a well made article.

JOSEPH GOSNELL has made extra preparations for the Christmas trade. He has for sale a fine lot of turkeys, geese, fruits, eggs, provisions and a general assortment of groceries. His famous hams are meeting with an unprecedented sale.

GEORGE RUDGE, of the Victoria Marble Works, whose business is so rapidly increasing, is converting rough blocks of granite and marble into beautiful tomb stones and monuments, as well as mantle pieces.

C. RUSSELL, of the Variety Store, in the Masonic Temple, has made one of the best displays in the city, and consequently has had a good run of business. Here are still to be found bargains in toys, glassware, tinware and such like goods as are kept in a first-class variety store. Every purse suited from a dime upwards.

MR. T. G. MOODY, Pandora street, keeps none but the best of goods for his select family trade. He has a capital stock, fresh, and sells cheap.

JOHN WARD, corner of Pioneer and Quadra streets, has one of the neatest and most attractive groceries in the city, which is well stocked with the best money can purchase. The stand is a good one as it is a great convenience to many in that section of the city.

DAVID F. FEE, on the opposite corner has also fitted up a neat grocery which is full of first class goods in that line. Mr. Fee is an old pioneer, well known in the city and deserving of patronage.

HAUGHTON & BAIRD, corner Quadra and View streets, have opened a drug store which is stocked with the purest of drugs, perfumes, fancy goods, etc., suitable for presentation purposes.

THE TIMES has finished its Christmas box. There no doubt are some whom it has missed; it would be impossible in a hurried gotten up affair that it could be otherwise. If there are such we shall be pleased to hear from them. We are certain many who have hitherto supposed Victoria to be a place of small things will be surprised to learn that our business houses are so numerous and so varied in their different avocations. It is pleasant to note the apparent prosperity which has attended their efforts during the past year. The full list will appear in the WEEKLY TIMES, which is an excellent publication to be sent to friends at a distance.

Christmas Eve.

For a picture of Christmas Eve, in the olden times, we can desire none more graphic than that furnished by Sir Walter Scott, in *Marmion*:

'On Christmas Eve the bells were rung;
On Christmas Eve the mass was sung:
That only night, in all the year,
Saw the stoled priest the chalice rear.
The damsel donned her kirtle sheen;
The hall was dressed with holly green;
Forth to the wood did merry-men go,
To gather in the mistletoe.
Then opened wide the baron's hall
To vassal, tenant, serf, and all;
Power laid his rod of rule aside,
And Ceremony doffed his pride.
The heir, with roses in his shoes,
That night might village partner choose.
The lord, undoubting, stake
The vulgar game of 'post and pair.'
All hated, with uncontrolled delight,
And general voice, the happy night,
That to the cottage, as the crowe,
Brought tidings of salvation down!

The fire, with well-dried logs supplied,
Went roaring up the chimney wide;
The huge hospitable's oaken face,
Scrubbed till it shone, the day to grace,
Bore them upon its massive board
No mark to part the squire and lord.
Then was brought in the lusty brawn,
By old tusked sonsie seven-year-man;
Then the grim boar's head frowned on high,
Crested with bays and rosemary.
Well can the green-garbed ranger tell,
How, when, and where the monster fell;
What dogs before his death he tore,
And all the baiting of the boar.
The wassail round in good brown bowls,
Garnished with ribbons, blithely trowls.
There the huge sirloin reeked; hard by
Plum-porridge stood, and Christmas pye;
Nor failed old Scotland to produce,
At such high-tide, her savoury goose.
Then came the merry masquers in,
And carols roared with blithesome din;
If unmelodious was the song,
It was a hearty note, and strong.
Who listens now to the mumming see
Traces of ancient mystery;
White shirts supplied the masquerade,
And smutted cheeks the visors made;
But, oh! what masquers, richly dight,
Can boast of beauties half so light!
England was merry England, when
Old Christmas brought his sports again.
'Twas Christmas broached the mightiest ale;
'Twas Christmas told the merriest tale;
A Christmas gambol oft could cheer
The poor man's heart through half the year.

THE WINDSOR HOTEL.

Mr. Alex. Macdonald, formerly of the "Travelers' Rest," of Yale, extends a hearty welcome to all his friends from the mainland of British Columbia, from Nova Scotia and the pioneers from Liverpool. He is prepared to mix "Blue Blizzards," "Tom and Jerry," "Copenhagen," "Brandy Mash," "Gin and Tansie Eye Openers," "Scotch Whisky Skin," "Hot Spiced Rum," "Imperial drinks for families," "Daught Lemonade" or "The Sultan Sherbert," and "Claret Singerettes" "White Tiger's Milk," "The Flag of Old England," and "Harp of Tara." To all of his patrons Christmas and New Year's cannot be too welcome. The best Brunswick Balke table in the city is still on the premises.

A New Holiday Display at M. W. Waitt & Co.

GRANITE CREEK.

Latest News from the New Mining Camp in Similkameen.

Preparations of Next Summer's Operation —Saw Mill for Granite Creek.

YALE, Dec. 24.—Mr. Alex. Lindsey, who arrived from the mines to-day, furnishes the following latest news from Granite Creek.

WEATHER AT THE MINES.

Up to December 21st, was very fine, with slight frosts at nights, and the days warm. Very little work was being done on Granite Creek, times are at present dull.

CONSIDERABLE PROSPECTING

was going on on outside creeks. The California & Beaver Co. has 600 feet of ground situated below Bear Creek. They are damming Tulameen river, so as to turn it across points. A company below Granite Creek, about 1½ miles, is engaged at similar work. All three companies are very sanguine, especially as a company of Chinese working on the main river below Granite Creek about 1½ miles took out

OVER $220

in less than a week. Provisions are plentiful and cheap. Three pack trains—Jameson's, Thompson's and Wilson's—about ninety animals, are now on the road. The trail is good from Coutlee's. There has not been enough cold weather yet to freeze the lakes and swamps sufficiently hard to justify starting a sleigh road.

A SAWMILL

for Granite Creek is still at Spence's Bridge, waiting a sleigh road. The mill is anxiously looked for at the mines. The owners propose selling lumber at the mines at forty-five dollars per thousand. Mr. Tunstall visited the mines and held

A LICENSING COURT

on the 15th. He was very heartily received and the boys were much pleased at the appointment. He got tenders before leaving the mines for the construction of a bridge over the Tulameen at Granite Creek City.

RAILWAY LAND GRANT LANDS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—In the case of Mr. J. Hamilton vs. the Northern Pacific Railroad Co., involving the claim of settlers to a tract of land within the limits of the grant, which was resisted by the company on technical grounds, respecting original settlers qualifications as pre-emptors, Commissioner Sparks holds that settlement claims are proven by occupation and improvement, although not placed on record, except land from withdrawal, and that the railroad company cannot be held to attack settlers qualifications on compliance with the law under the public land laws of the U. S. The principle of this decision is that lands occupied by actual settlers, as well as lands held under claims of record, are excepted from railroad grant and withdrawal, and being so excepted at the proper time, would not pass to the railroad, even if settlement claim should afterwards prove in any manner defective as against the United States. Commissioner Sparks further holds that the question would then be between the original or subsequent settler, as the case might be, and the government. It can never be made a question between the settler and the railroad company; in other words, that land grant railroads cannot pursue settlers and challenge the validity of their claims as against the United States.

PITIFUL SCENES.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—A dispatch from Pont-y-Pridd, Wales, this morning, says 75 corpses have been recovered from Ferndale Pit where the explosion occurred yesterday. It is feared others are buried in the debris. The scenes in the vicinity of the mines are pitiful. At daybreak this morning, fresh body of volunteers began exploring the pit and are working manfully in attempts to discover the bodies.

EXPULSION OF AMERICAN-GERMANS

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—The Foreign Office has notified Pendleton, American Minister, that it is intended to expel German-Americans residing at Schleswig, who emigrated to the United States before became liable to military service and returned after being naturalized. The recent order of expulsion of other German Americans remains suspended.

A NATIONALIST TO BE PROSECUTED.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—It is reported that the Government intends to prosecute one of the recently elected Irish members of parliament for a speech made at the National league meeting at Cork, on the ground that language used on the occasion tended to excite his hearers to commit murder.

A DRASTIC REMEDY.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The *Times* in an editorial this morning, without advocating such extreme measures, suggests that the Irish difficulty would be solved in three months by the exclusion of the Parnellites from the House of Commons and a proclamation of martial law in Ireland.

SHIPWRECKED CREWS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The City of Para brings home the crews of five vessels, wrecked in the harbor of Aspinwall during the storm of Dec. 24.

TREATY OF COMMERCE.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Zanzibar and Germany have signed a treaty of commerce, the provisions of which favor the Hamburg mercantile community and the East African society.

AN OLD PIONEER GONE.

HOPE, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Wirth, relict of the late John Wirth, and an old pioneer of the province, died this morning at five o'clock.

THE CHOLERA.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—It is reported that cholera is raging in Cayenne, the capital of French Guinea.

Attorney-General Maxwell has been officially notified that the decision of the Privy Council in the Dominion Lands Act appeal has been reversed and that it upheld the province on every point.

Sir John Macdonald has been appointed Chief Justice of Ontario, vice Sir Adam Wilson, deceased. It is understood that Mr. Justice Ritchie will be appointed to the vacant place on the Supreme bench, viz to Canada.

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CHRISTMAS.

A once noted writer observed that the festival of Chistmas is regarded throughout the civilized world as the greatest celebration of the ecclesiastical year. So important and joyous a solemnity is it deemed, that a special exception is made in its favor, whereby, in the event of the anniversary falling on a Friday (as it does to-morrow) that day of the week, under all other circumstances a fast, is transformed into a festival. We are within the mark in asserting that possibly in no other part of the continent will that festival be observed and celebrated with so much *eclat* as in this city of Victoria and throughout the province generally.

It has been remarked that "the birth of JESUS CHRIST, the deliverer of the human race, and the mysterious link connecting the transcendant and incomprehensible attributes of the Deity with human sympathies and affections, should be regarded as the most glorious event that ever happened, and the most worthy of being properly and reverently commemorated as a position which must commend itself to the hearts and reason of every one of His followers, who aspire to walk in His footsteps and participate in the ineffable benefits which His death has secured to mankind. Although at one time denounced by the Puritans as superstitious, and to this day disregarded by a considerable portion of Protestants as entirely unwarranted by Scripture, there are few who will seriously dispute the propriety of observing the anniversary of CHRIST'S birth by a religious service. Here, however, a question is brought forward which has long been agitated. Is the 25th of December really the day on which our Saviour first showed himself in human form in the manger at Bethlehem? The evidence at hand is not only traditional, but likewise conflicting and confused. In the early periods at which there is any record of the observances of Christmas, we find that some communities of professing Christians celebrated the festival on the 1st or 6th of January; others on the 29th of March, the time of the Jewish Passover; while others, it is said, observe it on the 29th of September, or what was known as the Feast of Tabernacles. There can be no doubt, however, that long before the reign of CONSTANTINE, in the fourth century, the season of the New Year had been adopted as the period for celebrating the nativity, although a difference in this respect existed in the practice of the eastern and western churches, the former observing the 6th of January and the latter the 25th of December. The custom of the western church at last prevailed, and both of the ecclesiastical bodies agreed to hold the anniversary on the same day. The fixing of the date is credited as the act of JULIUS I., who presided as Pope or Bishop of Rome from 337 to 352 A. D.

Throughout the middle ages and down to the period of the Reformation, the festival of Christmas, ingrafted on the pagan rites of Yule, continued throughout Christendom to be universally celebrated with every mark of rejoicing. On the adoption of a new system of faith by most of the northern nations of Europe in the sixteenth century, the Lutheran and Anglican churches retained the celebration of Christmas and other festivals, which Calvinists rejected absolutely denouncing the observance of all such days, except Sunday, as superstitious and unscriptural. In consequence of the Presbyterian form of church-government, as constituted by JOHN KNOX and his co-adjutors on the model of the ecclesiastical policy of Calvin, having taken such firm root in Scotland, the festival of Christmas, with other commemorative celebrations retained from the Romish calendar by the Anglicans and Lutherans, is comparatively unknown in this enlightened age in many parts of that country. The tendency to mirth and jollity at the close of the year, which seems almost inherent in human nature, has, in several sections of Scotland, been transferred from Christmas to New Year's day, and the preceding evening, known by the appellation of Hogmanay.

The geniality of and joyousness of the Christmas season in England, has long been a national characteristic. It is equally so in all parts of the United States and Canada. At present, Christmas day, is somewhat shorn of its ancient glories, and unmarked by that boisterous jollity and exuberance of animal spirits which distinguished it in the time of our ancestors, is, nevertheless, still the holiday in which of all others throughout the year, all classes of English society most generally participate. Partaking of a religious character, the forenoon of the day is usually passed in church, and in the evening the re-united members of the family assemble round the joyous Christmas-board. Separated as many of these are during the rest of the year, they all make an effort to meet together around the Christmas hearth. The hallowed, sacred feelings of domestic love and attachment, the pleasing remembrance of the past, and the joyous anticipation of the future, all cluster round these family gatherings, and in the sacred associations with which they are inter-twined, and the active deeds of kindness and benevolence which they tend to call forth, a realization may almost be found of the angelic message to the Shepherds of Bethlehem—"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good-will toward men."

The decking of churches, houses and shops with evergreens, springs from a period far anterior to the revelation of Christianity. It is evident that the use of flowers and green boughs as a means of decoration, is almost instructive in human nature. The Jews employed these in their Feast of the Tabernacle. The favorite plants for church decoration at Christmas are holly, bay, rosemary and laurel. Ivy is rather objectionable, from its associations, having anciently been sacred to BACCHUS and employed largely in the orgies celebrated in honor of the God of wine. Cypress is not generally used, while the mystic mistletoe is regarded as quite inappropriate. Many of the city churches are handsomely decorated for to-morrow. The decorations will be allowed to remain in their position for a few weeks.

We have already in commenting on Christmas day and its observances remarked on the hallowed feeling of affection and good will which are generally called forth at the celebration of this great anniversary. Quarrels are composed and forgotten; old friendships are renewed and confirmed, and a universal spirit of charity and forgiveness evoked. Nor is this charity merely confined to acts of kindness and generosity among equals; the poor and destitute experience the bounty of their richer neighbors, and are enabled, like them, to enjoy themselves at the Christmas season. General good wishes being the order of the day THE TIMES in turn wishes its many patrons

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

LAND REFORM IN SCOTLAND.

A new land reform movement is about to be started in Scotland. Its originator is Dr. G. B. CLARK, who has just been elected for Caithness as a crofter candidate. DR. CLARK is a member of the staff of the *Central News* of London, and has written extensively on the rights and wrongs of the crofters. He was nominated without solicitation, and beyond writing an election address he has given no personal attention to the canvass. This inaction fooled the Liberals, and they were split up into factions in Caithness. Each faction ventured to put a candidate. There were thus three Liberals running against DR. CLARK, and while he did not obtain a majority over all, he did obtain an ample plurality over the next highest candidate, MAJOR CLARENCE SINCLAIR. Now that he is elected, Dr. CLARK proposes to devote himself energetically to the cause of the crofters. He is already at work organizing a Highland party to secure reforms for Scotland similar to the Irish Land Act. The new party will be allied on all Irish questions with the Parnellites, and will be a valuable auxiliary in the fight for Home Rule.

A Hymn to Christmas.

(By J. L. LAYET, in the Illustrated London News.)

Hail, Christmas Day! All hail, all hail!
I welcome thee with songs of praise,
And with due homage never fail
To celebrate this Day of days.

What soul so dead as not to feel
Thy gracious influence benign
With sweet compulsion o'er it steal,
And steep it in a joy divine?

Though coming oft mid fog and gloom,
When Winter binds in frost the earth,
Thy auspice makes each heart re-bloom,
And holiest thoughts spring into birth.

What matter though the sky be dull;
All hail, thou Sabbath of the year!
With Christmas recollections full,
Prophetic of a purer sphere.

And hark! what sounds are these I hear?—
A flutter, sure, of angel wings,
And angel voices, low yet clear,
That breathe to me of heavenly things.

Lo! many a family, scattered—
Disjoined, alas! by coldness, too—
Around one hearth at Christmas-tide,
The love of auld lang syne renew.

The poorest cottagers their boards
Of treasured things turn out, and all
Bedeck their homes and spread their boards,
Obedient to thy cheery call.

In honor of this blessed day
The workhouse stores with bounteous fare
And Christian Pity finds a way
To succour Want and dull Despair.

Then let us raise a hymn of praise,
And with due homage never fail
To celebrate this Day of days:
Hail, Christmas Day! All hail, all hail!

THE British constituencies, under the new Redistribution Bill, are brought much nearer an equality, in point of numbers, than the former electoral districts. Formerly the counties had the prepondering population; now boroughs and rural electoral districts are put almost on an equality, as will be seen by the following statement of the average population to each member: England—Boroughs, 53,500; counties, 53,500. Wales—Counties, 48,400; boroughs, 40,000. Scotland—Counties, 52,900; burghs, 53,800. Ireland—Counties, 52,000; boroughs, 47,300. United Kingdom—Counties, 52,800; boroughs, 52,700. Inclusive of Universities, the average population to each member in the United Kingdom is now 52,100.

ROBUST HEALTH

Is not always enjoyed by those who seem to possess it. The taint of corrupted blood may be secretly undermining the constitution. In time, the poison will certainly show its effects, and with all the more virulence the longer it has been allowed to permeate the system. Each pimple, sty, boil, skin disorder and sense of unnatural lassitude, or languor, is one of Nature's warnings of the consequences of neglect.

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Is the only remedy that can be relied upon, in all cases, to eradicate the taint of hereditary disease and the special corruptions of the blood. It is the only alterative that is sufficiently powerful to thoroughly cleanse the system of **Scrofulous** and **Mercurial** impurities and the pollution of **Contagious Diseases**. It also neutralizes the poisons left by **Diphtheria** and **Scarlet Fever**, and enables rapid recuperation from the enfeeblement and debility caused by these diseases.

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Geo. W. Elder,

Will sail from Victoria wharf, outer harbor, for San Francisco on

Tuesday, Dec. 29th, at Noon.

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Freight for shipment by her is required to be on the wharf of the undersigned by 5 o'clock P. M., on Monday, Dec. 28.

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For further particulars, apply to WM. TIERNEY, proprietor, Johnson street, Hunter's buildings; or to W. H. MASON, Real Estate Agent, Broad street, Victoria. dec14

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A Turkey Shooting Tournament

Will take place at the

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Christmas & New Year's Day

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MAYORALTY.

To the Rate-Payers.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

Having been waited upon by some of the most influential gentlemen in the city, requesting me to become a candidate for the office of Mayor, I have much pleasure in consenting to their wishes. Having had four years experience as a Councillor, and knowing the wants of the city, should you honor me with your support, I shall do my duty to the best of my ability.

JOHN BOYD.

December 17, 1885. dec17

The Mayoralty.

To the Ratepayers of the Municipality of the City of Victoria.

GENTLEMEN:—Having been solicited by a large and influential delegation of voters to allow myself to be placed in nomination for the Mayoralty of this city, and having acceded to that request, I now beg leave to formally announce myself as a candidate for that honorable and important office at the approaching election.

As a pioneer citizen and Business man, well known to you all, I trust it will not be deemed necessary for me at this time to refer at any length to my intimate knowledge of the municipal affairs of this city, and its necessary and greatest requirements. Believing that my views on municipal matters are in harmony with those entertained by a large majority of my fellow-citizens, and hoping that I will have an early opportunity of explaining more fully my convictions as to the more important subjects which are likely to be considered and dealt with by the City Council during the coming year, I will now only state here, that if elected, I will endeavor to manage the affairs of the city in the most economic manner consistent with the full and efficient carrying out of all necessary provisions for the common weal. I am strongly of opinion that the normal revenue of the city should be the true basis of its expenditure; that the borrowing of very large amounts on the credit of the city is, at present, very impolitic; that street improvements in suburban portions of the city should not receive SPECIAL attention to the exclusion and neglect of more central and populous thoroughfares; and that the number of places for the sale of liquors, unless for some very important purpose, should not be increased. Thus briefly stating my views on some of the leading questions, and respectfully soliciting the favor of your suffrages,

I am, &c.,

dec19 JAMES FELL.

The MAYORALTY

REQUISITION

TO

Alex. McLean, Esq., J. P.

DEAR SIR,—We the undersigned ratepayers of the City of Victoria, having confidence in your integrity, and fitness for the office of Mayor, beg to request that you will allow yourself to be nominated for that office at the approaching Municipal Election; and we pledge our best endeavors to secure your election. R. P. Rithet, Thos. Earle, J. H. Turner, E. A. McQuade and seventy others.

REPLY.

To Messrs. R. P. Rithet, Thomas Earle, J. H. Turner, E. A. McQuade and 70 Others.

GENTLEMEN,—I have to thank you for your influential requisition, asking me to allow myself to be placed in nomination for the Mayoralty; and I have much pleasure in consenting to the same.

I trust that my three years experience as a Councillor will be found to be advisedable in carrying out the duties of the higher office, which I shall always endeavor to discharge to the best of my ability, having prominently before me the interests of the city and its general prosperity.

I hope to have an opportunity of personally explaining my views on all matters likely to occupy the attention of the new Council before the election.

I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

A. McLEAN.

JOHNSON ST. WARD.

To the Electors of Johnson Street Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

AT the request of many friends, I have been induced to offer my services as Councillor for the Ward in which I reside, and at an early date will avail myself of the opportunity of explaining my views on Municipal matters of interest to the ratepayers.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen, yours very respectfully,

dec19 REGINALD NUTTALL.

As Independent Candidate for Johnson St. Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

At the earnest solicitation of many electors, I again offer my services to the Ward and if elected will discharge my duties faithfully and give the utmost attention to the best interests of the city generally, my views on Municipal affairs will be given at an early date.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours Respectfully,

W. A. ROBERTSON.

Colonist, Standard and Post copy. dec22

TO THE ELECTORS

AND OTHERS.

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The Daily Times.

Victoria, Thursday, Dec. 24, 1885.

SELECTIONS.

Sleep is pain's earnest slave, and doth fulfill
All offices of death, except to kill.
—[Donne.

In fact there's nothing makes me so much grieve
As that abominable little-tattle
Which is the end eschewed by human cattle.
—[Byron.

Seek not to know to-morrow's doom;
That is not ours which is to come.
The present moment's all our store;
The next should heaven allow,
Treat this will be no more;
So life is but one instant now.
—[Congreve.

God's ways seem dark, but soon, or late,
They touch the shining hills of day.
The evil cannot brook delay,
The good can well afford to wait.
Give crimed knaves their hour of crime;
Ye have the future, grand and great,
The safe appeal of Truth to Time.
—[Whittier.

A Man-Hunter and His Hounds.

[Birmingham (Ala.) Age.]

The keeper of the hounds at Slope No. 2, Pratt mines, had rather run after an escaped convict than eat. He is of powerful physique, and can stand a great deal of tough work. A reporter asked him to speak of some of his experiences with dogs.

"I have sixteen of the finest hounds that ever yelped and struck a trail, and a convict is my meat when he gets away. The business of catching convicts is interesting, but hard. The hounds are docile and quiet in camps, but the moment they are called on duty they become fired with enthusiasm. The animals know as well as we do when a convict has escaped by the commotion made. If the convict has the start of us the dogs circle for his track. When the track is found the dogs follow it until the man is found. He is held at bay by the dogs, who surround him, until some one comes up. The dogs never attack a man. I once captured a man in Chilton county, after a sixteen-hour cold track. The distance was about 100 miles. I have trailed a man all day on a twenty-four-hour track, but the track was too cold. The longest trail I ever had was four days. I went 105 miles to get a convict. Did I get him? I should say so.

"I have some remarkable dogs—one is Fannie, a fine hound, who has the instincts of a human being. She will not change tracks, and would follow a man to the end of the earth without leaving the original trail. If she is on the wrong one, she goes to the end of it and then returns home. I have seen her go through the streets of Birmingham on a trail. She would go to a man's parlor if her trail led her there. I have five of the finest puppies ever seen; the breed is fine, and their fur is like velvet."

The American Hotel System.

[London Journal.]

The ruling idea in America is that whatever a guest can possibly want is to be ready waiting for him at all hours of the day or night. From 6 o'clock in the morning till bedtime he can eat. He is breakfast, lunch, dinner or supper, there will be something on the table. In order to post his letters, or to buy a paper, or to telephone a friend, or to send a message, he has only to walk into the main hall. For a wash, a shave, boot-cleaning, hair-dressing, or the relief of his corns he has mercy to sit down on a chair, and the appropriate artist will be at his side in a minute. They all understand their business, whatever it may be, and no time or labor is wasted in explanations. The guest knows beforehand his own share of the programme—what he will have to eat, where he will have to sleep, and to a cent what he will have to pay.

In the best managed hotels on our side of the Atlantic the element of strangeness and uncertainty has not yet been altogether eliminated. A person never knows exactly what may happen to him—how he may be treated or what he may be charged even at a house which he frequents habitually. But the American hotel sets your mind at rest forthwith. For so many dollars per day you are free of the house and all its privileges which, apart from the eating and sleeping, are very considerable.

Triumphs of German Surgery.

[Exchange.]

Speaking of the triumphs of German surgery, a writer points out a number of men now walking around in the empire with only a fractional part of their digestive organs. Some are referred to as being without a spleen, or having but a single kidney, others lack a gall bladder and several metres of intestines, while the climax is reached by "the man without a stomach."

Fresh Air Without a Draught.

[Domestic Monthly.]

A simple device for admitting a small amount of fresh air through a window without danger of draught is coming into general use. It consists in allowing an extra depth of bead to the sill of a window, so that the lower sash can be raised for an inch or two without causing an opening at the bottom, the air finding entrance only between the meeting rails.

A Native Doctor in Madagascar.

[Exchange.]

A native of Madagascar, who studied medicine in Edinburgh and returned home, now has seventy young men studying under him, and a large class of women whom he is training for nurses. He is in great favor with the queen, and is about to marry the prime minister's daughter.

Simian Base Ball.

[Boston Transcript.]

An Augusta (Ga.) man is training monkeys to play base ball. His verdict is that they play a tolerably fair game, but as their abuse of the umpire is uttered in the Simian dialect, he fears that their ability will not be recognized.

Precocious.

[Life.]

Old gentleman, full of fun, to infant of eight summers, who is smoking cigar—Can I trouble you for a light, mister? Infant of eight summers—Here you go, my boy, but be sure you give back the right one.

Changes in Jerusalem.

Rich pilgrims and zealous men of God have changed things so much at Jerusalem lately that land there has doubled in value and many modern dwelling houses have been erected.

An Umbrella Loan Society.

An umbrella loan society is to be soon established in Berlin, with branch offices to be open in all parts of the city, where umbrellas can be obtained in case of a sudden shower.

The Time for Question.

Professor, looking at his watch—As we have a few more minutes I shall be glad to answer any question that any one may wish to ask. Student—What time is it, please?

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A Bad Practice.

Till late years the practice of mixing tea dust with leaves was never known in Japan, but it is said to have become so prevalent that foreign buyers are obliged to make a discount for the dust at a rate of from one to three pounds per box.

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Notices.

Administrator's Notice.

THE CREDITORS OF LAWRENCE REDMOND, late of Comox, B. C., deceased, who died on or about the 15th day of October, 1885, and all others having claims against his estate, are hereby notified to send by post, or otherwise deliver to John Grant, of Victoria, the administrator of the estate and effects of the said deceased, on or before the first day of January, 1886, their Christian names, surnames, addresses and description, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them; and in default thereof, and immediately after the said 1st day of January, 1886 the assets of the said Lawrence Redmond will be distributed amongst the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to claims of which notice shall have been given as above required. And this notice being given under the provisions of 44 V. c., cap. 12, sec. 12, British Columbia, the said administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person of whose claim notice shall not have been received by him or the undersigned, his solicitors, at the time of such distribution.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., 29th November, 1885.

EBERTS & TAYLOR,
nov30 Solicitors for the said Administrator.

Municipal Notice.

ALL PERSONS (not otherwise qualified to vote at Municipal Elections in the City of Victoria), and who are desirous of Registering as Voters under the Householder Qualification in the Municipal Amendment Act, 1885, can obtain forms at the City Hall on application. The said forms must be returned, duly signed, ten days at least before the next election.

JAMES D. ROBINSON,
C. M. C.

City Hall, 3rd December, 1885. dec3

Notice.

ALL parties having claims against the undersigned will please send in their accounts before the 20th inst., and all parties indebted to same will please pay the amounts due at once, failing which collection shall be enforced.

J. D. ROSS,
Contractor.
Douglas street.
P. O. Box 569.

Victoria, Dec. 21st, 1885. dec22

Notice

IS hereby given that application will be made to the Legislature of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a Company to carry on the business of Fire Insurance upon the mutual principle within the Province of British Columbia.

Dated 14th December, 1885, Victoria, B. C.

EBERTS & TAYLOR,
dec15 6w Solicitors for Applicants.

Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at the next session thereof, for an Act to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping and maintaining Gas Works, and supplying gas to consumers at the terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Coal Harbor and English Bay, New Westminster District, and of doing all acts and things requisite or convenient for effecting the purposes aforesaid.

Dated 16th December, 1885.

J. ROLAND HETT,
Langley street, Victoria,
dec19 Solicitor for the Applicants.

Estate of John R. Phillips,

DECEASED, INTESTATE.

ALL CLAIMS against the above estate are to be sent in at once, duly proved, and all parties indebted are requested to pay the amounts due to the undersigned.

JAMES C. PREVOST,
Administrator.

18th December, 1885. dec19 1m

Notice.

In the Estate of HUGH LLOYD JONES, late of the City of Victoria, Chemist and Druggist, deceased.

DEBTORS are requested to pay the amounts due by them, and creditors to present their claims to, Messrs. I. C. Bales and W. E. Jones, the Executors of the will of the deceased.

J. ROLAND HETT,
Langley street, Victoria,
Solicitors for the Executors.

December 12, 1885. dec12

Notice.

THE Partnership heretofore existing between S. C. Burris and W. de la Penotiere, as Architects and Engineers, has this day been dissolved. S. C. Burris will continue the business as Architect and discharge all debts and collect all accounts due the said firm.

S. C. BURRIS,
WM. DE LA PENOTIERE.

December 1st, 1885. dec4

Notice

ALL THOSE INDEBTED TO THE FIRM of Calibreath, Grant & Cook, Cassiar, are requested to call on the undersigned at the office of Mr. R. Lippett, second door from the Telegraph office, Victoria, and settle their indebtedness, or legal steps will be taken to collect the same.

JOHN GRANT,
Vict., B. C., Dec. 3rd, 1885. dec3 1d

Notice.

DURING my absence in California Frank Campbell holds my power of attorney.

F. MURPHY,
Adelphi Saloon.

October 3rd, 1885 oct3

(No. 127.)

A BYLAW

To Regulate the Election of the Mayor and Councillors of the City of Victoria for the Year 1886.

WHEREAS IT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE provision for the Election of the Mayor and Councillors of the city of Victoria for the year 1886;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the said City consists of a Mayor and nine Councillors, namely,—three Councillors for Johnson Street Ward, three Councillors for Yates Street Ward, and three Councillors for James Bay Ward;

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria as follows:—

1. The nomination of Candidates for the respective offices of Mayor and Councillors of the City of Victoria shall take place at the City Council Chambers, Pandora street in the said City, on Monday, the Seventh day of January, 1886, from noon to 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

2. In case a poll shall be demanded at the election of Mayor, the vote of the electors thereon shall be taken by ballot at the City Council Chambers aforesaid, on Thursday, the Fourteenth day of January aforesaid.

3. In case a poll shall be demanded at the election of Councillors for any ward, the vote of the electors entitled to vote in such ward shall be taken thereon by ballot, on Thursday, aforesaid, at the following places respectively, that is to say,—in Johnson Street Ward at the City Council Chambers; in Yates Street Ward, at the Police Barracks; and in James Bay Ward, at the Hook and Ladder House.

4. The polling, if any, shall be continued in each case from 10 o'clock a. m. to 4 o'clock p. m.

5. Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the Municipal Elections Regulation and Ballot Act, 1878, and so much of the schedules thereto as is applicable, shall be read with and form part of this bylaw.

6. This by-law may be cited as the "Municipal Elections By-law, 1886."

Passed the Municipal Council the ninth day of December, A. D., 1885.

Reconsidered and finally passed the Council the 16th day of December, A. D., 1885.

R. P. RITHET,
Mayor.

JAMES D. ROBINSON,
C. M. C.

(L. S.)

dec23

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The Daily Times.

PUBLISHED EVERY AFTERNOON EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Victoria, Thursday, Dec. 24, 1885

NO PAPER.

To-morrow being Christmas, and as printers require a holiday, like other mortals, no paper will be issued from THE TIMES office.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—Taxpayers should take notice that unless they call at the City Hall and pay all taxes due by them they will not be entitled to vote at the ensuing municipal election. *

—Merry Christmas!

—Hazel Kirke to-night.

—Christmas matinee to-morrow afternoon "The Galley Slave."

—Before purchasing Real Estate or insuring your Life see Rand Bros.

—To-morrow Christmas night, the Morrison Company will play for the first time in Victoria "Married Life."

—Grand Pacific Hotel Christmas dinner, 12 till 2, usual price (25 cts.). Come one, come all. D. M. ELLIS.

—All the dry goods stores of the city will observe Saturday 26th inst as a holiday as well as Christmas. *

—The Victoria Dancing Club will hold their annual New Year's dance at Philharmonic hall on December 31.

The Muscatelle, Sultana and Valencia raisins received by Neufelder & Ross far surpass those of last year. *

—The proprietors of the Driard House have fitted up an elegant barroom in the theatre building.

—The Poodle Dog table to-morrow willl be fit for a king—supposing a king can relish good things any better than his exalted mortals.

—A very pretty hand painted mirror, the work of Miss Withrow, is on exhibition in the window of Messrs. J. B. Ferguson & Co.

—RECEIVED AT LONDON BAZAAR a large consignment of ROMAN CATHOLIC PRAYER BOOKS AND RELIGIOUS PICTURES to be sold cheap. *

—The Assize Court will meet again on the 4th of January, and the full court on the 5th. The remaining sentences will be pronounced on the 4th.

—The death is announced of William Thomas, eldest son of Mr. T. Carrington, merchant, at the age of 16 years. His parents have the sympathy of the public.

Passengers by the North Pacific to-day: G Good and wife, Mrs Smith, Miss Brewster, G H Mankin, Miss Daniels, J Nicholas, A J Baker, Mrs Hastings, E M Greenleaf.

—The North Pacific brought freight for: A Ofner, Brewster & Co, Blanchard & Co, Carlton & H, C Strauss, C A Vernon, Coulter & Co, C B Brewster, C H Babbitt, G B Ordano, G W Poole, H Saunders, J Weiler, L Willy, Marvin & Tilton, Neufelder & Ross, O R Johnson, S J Pitts, T Earle, W Dalby, W Wilson, T S Hall, W F Sayward.

Beef Tea at The Senate. *

GRANITE CREEK.

Another Favorable Report from a Government Officer.

Mr. Henry Nicholson, recorder, writing to the government from Granite Creek on the 8th Dec., reports fresh discoveries in the south fork of Granite Creek, and some small creeks, called Champion Creek, which joins the Tulameen river, twenty miles above the mouth of Granite Creek. It is wider than Granite, though containing less water, and the discoverers are well satisfied with their prospects. Some nice looking gold was brought into "Granite City" on the 7th inst. from a small creek, ten miles above, and a large number of men started off the same night, in the face of a heavy storm, to locate claims. Mr. Nicholson is of opinion that a very large mining camp will be established in that district. A small city, of 500 or 600 people, has already sprung up; living expenses are not exorbitant, and the camp is conveniently situated.

AT THE HOTELS.

The tables of the various hotels in the city will to-morrow be spread with a most bountiful supply of all the most tempting edibles to be found in a magnificently stocked market. At that famous house the Driard, known over the whole Coast for the excellency of its culinary department the dinner bill of fare will be even more elaborate and sumptuous than usual. The Oriental, celebrated none the less for the superiority of its table than it is for the urbanity of its attendants, will be to the front as usual. The Occidental is neatly decorated, and the courteous landlord and his amiable lady will make the day a highly enjoyable one for their numerous guests. But none of the "jolly landlords" will be more hearty in their Christmas *cead a mille failthe* than mine host of the American, who will have a welcome for every one. Old timers know and appreciate the bountiful board spread by Mrs. Astrico, and the old-fashioned comfort and hospitality dispensed at the Angel. The Commercial, the Queen, Grand Pacific, Vancouver, Brunswick and St. Nicholas will all make their guests—most of whom are transient visitors, gathered together from many different quarters—forget that they are strangers. Hotel keepers are proverbially hospital and social, and in our fair city they are eminently so. A merry Christmas to them all.

JOHNSON STREET WARD.

Already there are four candidates in the field for the representation of this ward, in next year's council, namely, Messrs. W. A. Robertson, Reginald Nuttall, Shaw, Humber and Coughlan. All are gentlemen well known to the ratepayers of that ward.

CHRISTMAS AT THE POST OFFICE.

The general delivery wickets will not be opened at the post office to-morrow. The Sound mail will be sorted into the boxes and made up as usual for dispatch.

MURDER IN PORTLAND.

A noted French courtesan named Amelia, was murdered in her den, corner of Third and Yamhill streets, Portland, on Tuesday evening. She was literally hacked to death.

The untidy, dirty appearance of a grizzly beard should never be allowed. Buckingham's Dye for the Whiskers will readily change their color to a brown or black, at discretion, and thus keep up your reputation for neatness and good looks. *

Ribbons, Laces, Feathers, in all the newest colors, Aigrettes, Fancy birds, Flowers, &c., in great variety. MRS. WHITLAW, the leading milliner, Fort street. *

A. LEWIS is proprietor of the store and tin shop on Yates street, not L. LEWENSTEIN'S clothing store, and not L. LEWENSTEIN yesterday.

Go to The Senate for your cold weather drinks. *

PAQUITA!

Only a small audience witnessed the production of "Paquita" by the Morrison Co. last evening. Notwithstanding this depressing fact the play was well put on and each actor tried individually to excel. Mr. Lewis Morrison played the difficult character of Manuel De La Ray to perfection and drew from the audience frequent applause. Miss Rose Wood also as Hortense, Manuel's faithless wife fully sustained the reputation she has made on previous evenings. Mr. E. J. Holden as Jose Boreasse was worthy of much praise. As Paquita Miss Rosabel Roy had an opportunity of showing herself in impassioned character, and the manner in which she acquitted herself shows that she is possessed of considerable versatility. The remainder of the cast were as usual fully up to the requirements of the piece. It is unfortunate that this excellent company have not been more liberally patronized, but this is of course owing to the surfeit of drama and melodrama which our theater goers have had during the past few weeks. The company have tried hard to please, and we hope that during the rest of the week and holiday season they may be more successful. Tonight "Hazel Kirke" will be put on, and at the matinee to-morrow, Christmas afternoon, "The Galley Slave" will be repeated. To-morrow, Christmas evening, the roaring comedy "Married Life" will be produced for the first time in this city.

INCENDIARY RUBBISH.

On the day preceding the burial of Riel at St. Boniface the following circular was distributed in Winnipeg: "War of races! Yes, if necessary, and war to the teeth if required! Will an already outraged public stand quietly by while a great demonstration is being made over the burial of that red-handed rebel and traitor, Louis Riel! No, decidedly no! Let the truly loyal proceed to St. Boniface to-morrow morning, where the traitor is to be interred, and if anything is said insulting to British Canadians, let them pull the Cathedral down upon the heads of the tribes that exalt the rebel, and so blot them from the face of the earth! God save the Queen!" Fortunately this incendiary rubbish excited nothing but contempt for its authors and indignation against their unholy tactics.

VANCOUVER PROPERTY SALES.

Messrs. Robertson & Co., real estate agents, yesterday effected the following sales of Vancouver lots. They are all located in the eighty-five acres: One lot in block seven, 44x120 feet, for $850; one lot, same block, 25x120 feet, $450. Two lots in block 9, for $1000. About two months ago two lots in this block were sold for $600. A well-known firm has purchased two lots on False Creek for $1750, and will establish a manufacturing enterprise thereon at an early day. In block 23, near False Creek, one lot was sold for $300, and in block 13 one brought $600. These sales are all *bona fide*, the purchasers buying for immediate use. A number of other sales have been made within the past few days, but the particulars could not be learned.

GET THE STOCKINGS READY.

(R. C. DORON in GOODALL'S Chicago "Sun.")

Get ready the stockings and do it right
quick, for Christmas
is coming, and with
it St. Nick. His rein-
deers, impatient to be
on the way, already
are hitched to his well
laden sleigh. St. Nick
in his furs and his haste
to depart stands ready
to whistle the signal to
start, and then on the
snow clouds afloat in
the sky, St. Nick and
his reindeers will
hitherward fly.
Then down thro'
the chimney
the stockings
he'll view, and
fill them with
toys and nice
sugar plums
too. The child-
ren are count-
ing the days
till he's here, and
nightly bright
visions of Christ-
mas appear. So haste
with the stockings,
and do it right
quick, for Christ-
mas is coming, and
with it St.
Nick.

AN EXHIBITION INCIDENT.

Several gentlemen of this city made a small wager as to the best display made by Victoria butchers. The decision was left to a competent, impartial gentleman, an authority on the question, who decided that Charles M. Beak & Co. displayed the best meats and the most tastefully dressed shop. In our notice of Messrs. Beak & Co.'s markets yesterday, the name of Mr. Edward Metcalfe, the genial manager of the company, was omitted from our description of the London market. Mr. Metcalfe has catered to the wants of Victorians for the last 17 years and is well known as a popular affable obliging gentleman.

MIDNIGHT MASS.

The services at St. Andrew's Cathedral, View street, to-night will be of an unusually gorgeous and impressive character. The sacred edifice will be handsomely decorated, and pontifical high mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Seghers, assisted by the clergy of the diocese. The choir, of which Mr. E. McQuade is leader, have been diligently practising the music for the occasion. Miss Campbell will preside at the organ. The services will begin at 12 o'clock, and mass will again be celebrated at 10:30 a. m. to-morrow. Members of the congregation will make visitors heartily welcome.

PRESS COMMENTS.

Montreal *Herald*, Conservative: How is this circulation of Sir Alexander Campbell's pamphlet to be defended in Parliament? It is being sent out by the hundred, and thrown aside as waste paper by the thousand, yet we understand that a cent a copy for a nominal distribution is being paid to those journals that undertake to defend the government. If this is true there will be one more very awkward explanation to make before the Public Accounts Committee.

COMIC OPERA COMING.

The next attraction at the Victoria will be the Haverly-Thompson Comic Opera Co., producing Millocker's tuneful opera, "The Beggar Student," and the latest success, "The Mikado." The troupe is a large one—35 persons in all. The opening performance will be on Jan. 4th, with three nights to follow.

THE WEEKLY TIMES.

The WEEKLY TIMES will be issued to-morrow morning, containing a full description of the preparations made by our merchants for the Christmas trade, latest telegraphic news up to the hour of going to press, and also replete with local and provincial news.

ANOTHER OIL FIND.

Mr. J. T. Mitchell, of Wilkeson, Washington Territory, has discovered what he believes will turn out to be a valuable deposit of petroleum oil. It is situated about a mile northeast of that place.

It is now estimated that the number of Conservatives who have seceded from the government will not exceed thirty. The regular opposition is about seventy. There can now be no doubt as to the gravity of the situation. As in 1873, during the Pacific Scandal, the question is being asked will Sir John get through?

POLICE COURT.

(Before Edwin Johnson, Esq., S. M.)

Jennie, Mary, and Charley, Fort Rupert Indians, pleaded guilty to being drunk and were fined $5 each.

Charley, another Fort Rupert Indian, was fined $25.00 or one month for supplying liquor to Indians.

Harry, an Indian charged with supplying liquor to Indians was discharged.

Yee Shom and Chan Ah Fat, charged with breaking into the house of Ah Tedi, stealing a $20.00 note and some valuable papers.

Mr. Fell for prosecution and Mr. Chas. Wilson for defence.

Olaf Christensen, intent to commit a felony, remanded till Saturday.

MARINE NOTES.

The Pilot went up to Burrard Inlet last night and towed down the bark Arabella, lumber-ladened for Montevideo.

The barge C. L. Taylor, with stone for the dry dock was towed from Salt Spring Island to Esquimalt yesterday.

The Woodside lost her propeller by the breaking of the shaft when off Johnson's reef. The Dolphin went to her assistance and towed her into port this morning.

The tug Alexander has been laying at her wharf for several weeks. The stagnation in marine business has rather injuriously affected the towing business. Our paternal government at Ottawa should be asked, at the approaching session to consider the present very objectionable regulations affecting Canadian tugs in American waters and vice versa.

VANCOUVER.

On Coal Harbor, the Terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Personal inspection and reports of Coal Harbor lands, made on application, contracts for clearing land negotiated and superintended. Large lists of most central properties and plans of townsite on application. Parties living at a distance buying through us will have the advantage of our personal inspection and report. Intending investors should come to Vancouver, when we will take pleasure in driving them over the principal roads and showing them over the townsite. We have established a free reading room for use of strangers and shall be glad if all such will make use of same on arrival here. Correspondence solicited.

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F. C. INNES & Co.,
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EXTRAORDINARY OFFER.

The public are requested to call and examine the large assortment of New Toys and Holiday Gifts at the

LONDON BAZAAR.

We give to all those that purchase goods at our store, to the amount of $5, a chance to guess the number of beans in two sealed jars. The buyers can either guess for the mammoth Doll's House, which we purchased at a large sacrifice from the fortunate winner or for a valuable musical box worth 60 dollars. No place will give the same inducements to buyers and at the same time show such a large assortment. The jars will be sealed and opened by John A. Aust'n, Esq., Notary Public, who will only count the beans at New Years, when the nearest guesses to the correct number of beans will be declared winners.

The Musical Box is new and plays 6 airs, to wit;
1—I'll Tell You, Mother, what you have done
2—La Mascotte
3—Marriage Bells
4—La Somnambula
5—Mandolinata
6—Nancy Lee

ATWELL KING & CO

Everybody Read This Line.

Seventy-five Jerseys just received at the "Lansdowne House." * C. A.

ART EXHIBITION.

To the ladies will be given a ticket in a raffle for a first-class machine, to take place on the evening of the 24th Dec. At the same time they will have the pleasure of examining sewing machine work done on the LIGHT RUNNING DOMESTIC. The superiority and excellence of this work cannot be equaled on the Pacific Coast. Call and see the work done, which all other machines have failed to do, at the leading Sewing Machine Depot, Fort St. Open on Tuesday, 22d. T. W. FLETCHER. *

FASHIONABLE ARRIVAL.

We beg to call the attention of our friends and customers to the new millinery just received per Northern Pacific Rail which comprises the very latest styles in hats, bonnets, flowers, ornaments, &c. Also to special lines in black silks, seal cloaking and dress plushes in all colors, being the best value ever offered in the city. BROWN & WHITE, Government street. *

HIGHLY COMMENDABLE.

At a meeting of the Victoria Ladies' Scientific and Select Association, held last week, it was unanimously resolved that Fell & Co. were one month ahead in providing an assortment of New Fruits for Christmas, and their second consignment just to hand, being superior to any yet received, they would, one and all, make their purchases at their establishment, on Fort street. *

LONDON EXHIBITION.

Parties sending specimens of ore to Mr. D. Oppenheimer, of this city, for the above exhibition, are requested to give the following particulars, viz: Location of ledge, name of ledge, width at top and bottom; depth of shaft, nature of casing or country rock; run and dip of the ledge. *

Our large sales and testimonials from consumers PROVE that SOUTH FIELD COAL from Vancouver collieries is equal if not superior to any household coal brought to this market. For sale at reduced prices. Double screened or lump coal at $7 ton delivered, $6 25 on the wharf. GUTMANN & FRANK, Johnson and Store street. *

At the I. X. L. new American hats, new lines in neckwear, silk handkerchiefs, and merino and heavy wool under wear and half-hose.

And while we X. L. is the above we wish all our patrons the compliments of the season.

J. L. BECKWITH, Manager.

—That valuable preparation called the Gum Tree (Eucalyptus) Cough Syrup—that does not make you sick at the stomach, is for sale by Langley & Co., Victoria, sole agents. *

GONNELL'S SUGAR CUREDHAMS are now ready at his store, corner Cormorant and Douglas streets. *

Seventeen boxes of Odds and Ends on the floor at half-price, at GEO. H. MAYNARD'S. *

Key West cigars at The Senate. *

NEW PLUSH SETS at M. W. Waitt & Co.'s. *

LADIES PATENT LEATHER COURT SHOES direct from London, just received at H. MANSELL'S Government St. *

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED.

To call at Santa Claus' Headquarters and see the beautiful holiday gifts, Christmas goods for the many, suitable for all. Prices that defy competition. Xmas and New Year's cards at half price at H. Gribble's, Government street, next Bank B. C. *

Not Strange

That the large consignment of furniture of all kinds just received is sold cheaper than ever on the instalment plan by Anderson & Anderson, Fort street. *

JAMES RUSSELL has opened his new Store on Douglas street, near Maynard's Photograph Gallery, and is now prepared to supply the public with all kinds of Scotch pastry, Buns, Cakes &c. Also Sausages and Puddings, Mutton Pies, and Tea and Coffee. Orders received for Christmas and New Year's cakes and buns.

A PUZZLE SOLVED.

One almost becomes dazed at the numerous attractions displayed for the coming Xmas Holydays, each vieing with another to surpass in excellence. To assist those who are in a dilemma, after having tested the many virtues of other establishments, and are still in a quandary and hesitating, our advice is, as a dernier resort, go to T. N. Hibben & Co. *

JERSEYS! JERSEYS!

One hundred and fifty Jerseys received to-day at the White House Hutcheson, Young & Co.

SEASONABLE.

Elegant Wadded Bed Comforters; also Fine Wool Blankets from $3.25 per pair, at BROWN & WHITE'S, Government St. *

QUICK FREIGHT.

Neufelder & Ross' complete assortment of Christmas fruits, arrived via Northern Pacific Railway in thirty-six days. *

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

A choice selection of ladies' caps, seal skin hats, muffs, &c. MRS. WHITLAW, the leading milliner, Fort street. *

Edinburgh House—extra Christmas lunch to-night from 7 till 12. All are invited.

—Black Silk Tricotines—manufacture of Jaubert, Audras & Cie, soft, pure and guaranteed not to cut in the wear, just received by the City House—Wm. Wilson & Co. *

—Colored Surah Silks; plain and striped; also fancy silk gauze in various colors for evening wear, just received at the City House. *

The only place in town where you can get a cock-tail is at The Senate. *

—FELL & Co.'s second consignment of NEW CHRISTMAS FRUITS, just to hand. Have sold the consignment received in October last. Call and see for yourselves. *

Mrs. V. A. LePrince fashionable dressmaking, cutting and fitting a specialty. All work guaranteed. Fort street next to Hasting's photograph gallery. *

—No room can be considered as well furnished unless supplied with one of those NEW and STYLISH FENDERS, on view and for sale at A. & W. Wilson's, Fort street. *

Sixty-six cases Boots and Shoes just arrived for the holidays, all of which are marked 'way down, at GEO. H. MAYNARD'S. *

—FOR MATERIALS, ribbons, wings, velvets, flowers, go to Mrs. Whitlaw, the leading milliner, Fort street. A large assortment just arrived. *

First-class Havana cigars at The Senate. *

Received to-day a large variety of flowers for evening wear. Gold tassels, butterflies, birds, &c., and all the leading novelties at MRS. WHITLAW'S, the leading milliner, Fort street. *

THE BEST GIFT is a nice pair of Slippers and the place to get them is at H. Mansell's. PUBLIC OPINION. *

THE BEST YET—Those fur lined Boots at the B. C. Boot and Shoe Store.

* H. MANSELL.

COMPLICATED and other watches accurately repaired and adjusted by S. P. KLEISER & SON, over Albion House, Government street. *

Tom and Jerry at The Senate *

The display of Christmas fruits at Neufelder & Ross', shows that Victoria still keeps its reputation for good cheer. *

Milk Punches at The Senate. *

—New Mantles, Jackets and Jerseys of the very latest styles at the City House.*

Six Coal Harbor lots for sale by Rand Bros.; corners $75, inside $50. *

Go to The Senate Saloon for oyster cocktails. Try our eastern oysters. *

Artistic Binding executed in this Province ONLY by R. T. Williams; and out of the Province by the other Binder, assisted by an British Nepotism of the present Local Government.

MUNROE MILLER, the Other Binder, Steam Book and Job Printer, Johnson St., near Broad

NEW TO-DAY.

THE KNIGHTS OF LABOR will hold their Quarterly Meeting on SATURDAY NIGHT, at Harmony Hall. A full attendance is required. The Regular Meeting is held at Harmony Hall every Saturday. dec24

In the Estate of Susan Emily Holmes, deceased.

ALL persons having claims against the above estate are requested to send them to the undersigned, at his office, Fort and Langley streets, and all persons indebted to the estate will please pay the same.

GEORGE BYRNES, Executor.
December 23, 1885. dec24 1m

To the Electors of Johnson Street Ward.

GENTLEMEN:—I hereby offer my services as Councillor for Johnson Street Ward for 1886, and respectfully solicit your votes and patronage.

J. COUGHLAN.
Dec. 23rd, 1885. dec24

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